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County Executive Gardner Proposes Charter Amendments

FREDERICK, MD –Frederick County Executive Jan Gardner today announced three charter amendments that she has proposed to the County Council. The [proposed amendments](#) would provide additional time for the County Council to consider and adopt the annual budget; adjust the public hearing notice and publication time for amendments to bills under consideration and extend the time to enact a bill from 90 days to six months; and provide the County Council with the ability to adopt emergency or expedited legislation.

“Charter government is working well for Frederick County,” said County Executive Gardner. “After 18 months, we can identify where adjustments would help processes to run more smoothly. My proposals would make our government more responsive to the citizens and give the County Council additional time and tools that they need.”

The proposals are scheduled to be considered by the County Council at the June 7 meeting. If the Council supports the amendments, they will appear on the Nov. 8, 2016, General Election ballot as referendum questions.

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